

## <u>OFFICIAL</u> Meeting Minutes from November 5, 2017 meeting Accepted at the Dec 3rd, 2017 Meeting

Steve Forrest called the November 5th meeting at the Belmont Fire Station to order at 8:30

- **Treasurer's Report-** \$16,073.97 balance. Cider Days grossed \$1,543. Motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Steve Howlett and seconded by Dale Sutherland.
- **Secretary's Report-**The October 1st 2017 meeting minutes were motioned to be accepted by Steve Howlett and seconded by Steve Forrest. It was voted on unanimously to accept.

## • Trailmaster Report-

- Steve Howlett crushed club saw Stihl MS290
- Salt Ash open and clear of stumps
- Mount Holly logger is done. Two rock issues
- No update on logger on Shrewsbury side
- Trails should be passable right now.
- Signs are going up by Thanksgiving
- Curt getting 4x4 posts for "Groomed and Maintained"
- Tucker is almost done
  - New transfer case getting put in
  - Coming back in the next week or two
  - No final price as of yet
  - Curt said to ask county for help for an emergency loan to cover repairs.
    0% interest
  - USDA grant for. Got Springfield \$100,000 grant for a new one.
  - Open discussion to keep Tucker or finder newer one. Long Term plan
    - Newer=more electronics
    - May have buyer lined up for old Tucker.
    - VAST grant 40%
    - Worth looking into and

- Brush Hogging grant need to send pictures to Tim Parks for grant payment
- Grant for
- Defender Appointment
  - 1st week of December getting in for tracks, annual service, and recall

## • President's Report

- Halloween parade a big success
- Lots of support and great P.R.
- Throwing idea to county level.
- Need a lot more candy
  - Maybe reach out to candy manufacturers
  - Get more candy probably need \$500-\$600 worth for next year
- Maybe start planning earlier next year
- County Report
  - Curt Marchex was present
  - o Belmont Store
    - Claire spoke with owner. "If conditions are good he may open" on Sundays
    - Need to notify Woodford, Shaftsbury, and Manchester clubs. "Call ahead on Sundays" for gas. Need to do it for safety of riders.
    - Landowner Thank you ideas. Mount Holly Calendar
  - Sheriff's Dept. getting a sled
    - Sheriff's doing safety course
    - Hot Spot= Pittsfield
    - Running sheriff's through county tour
  - Groomer Rodeo
    - Ideas around Old Turnpike/103 area fields.
    - Direct trail access, dealer demo sleds and groomers
  - Mower raffle: New Husqvarna around \$2,700 at cost for non-profit Double money on it. Cap on tickets, date. Easy fund raiser pay up front, GT Outdoor would hold unit.
  - County Level
    - Golf Tournament
    - Benefit: VAC and other non-profit
    - Need to make clubs sell sponsorships
  - State Level
    - Bridge 68 complete LVRT
- Lights on Defender

• "My Way" Autobody in CT provided parts and labor. Did a great job outfitting the machine!

## • New Business

- TMA Loyalty Program Idea Promo
  First 100 people go into a drawing for a free TMA for the following year
- Drag for Defender
  - Bringing to custom shop for alterations
  - Steve H motioned Mike Mattison seconded

10:10 Steve Howlett Mike Mattison seconded

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